

St. Paul's United Church

May 4th, 2014

Rec. Bob Jones

*The people of St. Paul's United Church welcome you.
May there be a blessing for you in this house today.*

Prelude Surely Goodness and Mercy arr. Wilson

Greeting May the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you,
and also with you.

Lighting of the Christ Candle

Introit Don't Be Afraid MV 90
*Don't be afraid, my love is stronger,
my love is stronger than your fear.
Don't be afraid, my love is stronger
and I have promised, promised to be always near.*

Welcome and Announcements

Hymn Blessed Assurance VU 337

Psalms 51 (Responsive) VU 776

Hymn Come Let Us Sing VU 574 (vs 1,2)

Time For All Ages

Hymn Come Let Us Sing VU 574 (vs 3,4)

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Keep up to date on upcoming activities
and stay in touch in between Sundays!

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| Minister: | Rev. Lori Beth Sheffield-Bowles | reverend.loribeth@gmail.com |
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Weekly Activities

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| Mon., Wed., Fri. | 12–1 p.m. | Exercise Group—Gym/Hall |
| Monday | 7–9 p.m. | Men's Bible Study |
| | 7-9 pm | B-Boying—gym |
| Monday-Friday | 11:30–1 p.m. | AA—Youth Lounge |
| Tuesday & Thursday | 1-4 p.m. | Quilting—Quilter's Parlour |
| Tuesday & Saturday | 8–9 p.m. | AA—Youth Lounge |
| Tuesday | 2:30 p.m. | Love Yoga |
| | 6:30-8 p.m. | Beavers & Cubs—gym |
| Wednesday | 9-11 a.m. | The Pantry |
| | 10 a.m. | Wed. Morning Discussion |
| Thursday | 6:30—8:30 pm | B-Boying—gym |
| | 7:00 p.m. | Senior Choir—Hall |

Onward! Christian Soldiers

(vs. 1,3,5)

Onward! Christian soldiers, marching as to war,
with the cross of Jesus going on before.
Christ the royal Master leads against the foe;
forward into battle see his banners go.
Onward! Christian soldiers, marching as to war,
with the cross of Jesus going on before.

Like a mighty army moves the church of God;
brothers, we are treading where the saints have trod.
We are not divided, all one body we,
one in hope and doctrine, one in charity.

Onward, then, ye people! Join our happy throng;
blend with ours your voices in the triumph song:
'glory, laud, and honour unto Christ the King!'
this through countless ages men and angels sing.

Moment For Community

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| Offertory Hymn | Come, Let Us to the God of Love | VU 653 |
| Offertory | A Quiet Song | Smith |
| Dedication Verse | | VU 540 |

***Grant us God, the grace of giving,
with a spirit large and free,
that ourselves and all our living
we may offer faithfully.***

Offertory Prayer

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| Scripture Reading | 2 Chronicles 7: 11-16 Luke 15: 1-10 | Bob Miller Rev. Bob Jones |
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Prayers of the People

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| The Lord's Prayer | | VU 959 |
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| Anthem | O Come Ye Servants of the Lord | Tye |
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| Message | The Battles of Life (Onward Christian Soldiers) | (see page 5) |
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| Hymn | Great Is Thy Faithfulness | VU 288 |
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Commissioning and Benediction

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| Postlude | My God and King | arr. Wilson |
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*We invite you to stay and enjoy the postlude
as part of our worship service.*

An invitation is extended to all who are worshipping with us today to please join us for refreshments and conversation following the service in Fraser Memorial Hall.

Reverse Offering

There will be a reverse offering today for The Pantry. If you would like to donate you may take a slip of paper with an item printed on it from the collection plate and bring that item back to church next Sunday and place it in the food box located in the Narthex. Many thanks.

Financial Contributions for April 20 & 27, 2014

2014 Weekly Budget \$3700.00 (\$7400 for 2 wks)

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| Operating (received) | 5963.50 | |
| Loose | 88.25 | |
| PAR | <u>3591.20</u> | <u>9642.95</u> |
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(Easter \$3594.00)

Thank you and may God truly bless and multiply your gifts

WE RENT SPACE: Need a spot to host a birthday gathering or to hold an open house for someone’s special anniversary? You can rent the Church Hall or gym here at St. Paul’s at very reasonable rates! Contact Cathy Simpson in the office at 458-1183 or email her at cathysimpson@nb.aibn.com for more information or to book an event.

SPRING CLEAN UP DAY AT ST. PAUL’S

Saturday, May 31st, (8:30 to noon) has been chosen as our **annual spring clean up day** and we solicit your help to sweep, rake, weed, wash, etc. to tidy up and make our outdoor property attractive. Please bring brooms, rakes, shovels, etc. and your good humour to make this a successful day. The more volunteers we have the quicker the work will be done (bring a friend!!). We encourage those with gardening skills to bring some flowers to

enhance our flower beds. Thank you and we hope to see YOU on the 31st!

Children’s Clothing Needed for ‘Family Plus’

We are in need of used children’s pants and sweatshirts sizes 4—6x. Items may be dropped off at the office. For more information on this please contact Cathy Simpson at 458-1183 or send an email to cathyesimpson@gmail.com.

Elm City Echoes presents: A Harmony Celebration, featuring the Elm City Echoes and Meadowlarks (Atlantic Area Quartet Champions). Guests: Girls Harmony Choir of Garden Creek School on Sunday, May 4th, 3 p.m. at Fredericton High School. Tickets are \$15 and are available from chorus members and at Westminster Books.

“You are invited to attend an **“EVENING OF MUSIC”** to be held at Nashwaaksis United Church on Sunday, May 4, at 7:00 pm. Come and enjoy musical selections performed by the Adult Choir and special guests. A free-will offering will be collected to assist our youth attending the “Go Project” in 2015 and to support the work of our church.”

DRAMA AND DESSERT: St. Andrews United Church in Harvey will present their 10th comedy drama "Faith County Revisited" on May 8,9,10 at 7:30. Desserts to follow. Tickets are \$12.00. Call Marilyn Henry 366-3599.

Prayer and Meditation Service in the Style of Taize

Sunday. June 8 at 7 p.m.

Gibson Memorial United Church

This contemplative prayer service will include songs, prayerfully chanted to beautifully meditative music, quiet moments for meditation and Communion.

The experience is capable of providing your spirit with a deep sense of peace and joy.